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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 13, 2004 ADVISORY ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to the September 13, 2004 Advisory Action, and to substitute the Amendment filed July 23, 2004 in response to the July 7, 2004 Advisory Action in connection with the above-identified application.

During a September 21, 2004 telephone conference between Examiner Collins and the undersigned, for which courtesy the undersigned thanks Examiner Collins, Examiner Collins indicated that claims reciting a method employing a Sunflower Seed Albumin ("SSA") encoding gene will be considered in response to the January 30, 2004 Final Office in connection with the above-identified application. Accordingly, applicants are filing this Amendment which amends the claims as discussed with the Examiner and also contains Remarks explaining how this Amendment overcomes the rejections of record in the subject application.

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Please amend the subject application as follows: